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EMPLOYMENT IN COMMON MINIMUM PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the new Government has drawn a Common Minimum Programme (CMP);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has promised to give 100 days employment in a year;

(d) if so, the details of the criteria adopted;

(e) the details of the plan proposed by the Government for the rest of the 265 days;

(f) the time by which the programme is likely to be started; and

(g) the number of people likely to be benefitted from the said programme?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) The details of Common Minimum Programme (CMP) are available on the website www.pmindia.nic.in and printed copies are also available in the Parliament Library.

(c), (d), (e), (f) and (g): The CMP lay down that the government will enact a National Employment Guarantee Act. This will provide a legal guarantee for at least 100 days of employment to begin with, on asset-creating public works programmes every year at minimum wages for at least one able-bodied person in every rural, urban poor and lower middle-class household.